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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

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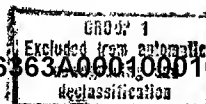
1. Notes on External Training

a. The Agency has 15 students enrolled in [REDACTED] 25X1A language classes which began 9 September. All are studying "hard" languages ranging from Arabic and Burmese to Swahili and Turkish.

b. The National Security Seminar, underway at Ft. McNair on 16 September, has 10 Agency employees attending including two from the Support Directorate: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

This program has been given special attention by Colonel White at the request of the Civil Service Commission's Executive Director.

25X1A c. [REDACTED] had its first session in the Ames Building on 9 September with 29 students attending. Meeting twice weekly for two hours, the course will continue for six weeks. Initial impressions indicate that the sessions are being run in a very professional manner. Another reading improvement course, conducted by the USDA, will have its pilot running in October. Later, a comparative evaluation of the two programs will be made to determine which one better meets the Agency needs.

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d. Two more research topics have been received from students at Senior Schools. [REDACTED], an OTR careerist at the Armed Forces Staff College, is writing on, "To Determine the Desirability of Universal Military Training in the U.S. Today." [REDACTED] (IAS) has chosen as his topic, "Bolivia -- Prospects for Political Stability," at the Air War College.

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2. Notes on Internal Training

a. An Office of Computer Services representative has expressed the opinion that any move toward using Computer Assisted Instruction (CAI) in the Agency would have to come from OTR, not OCS. Two principal disadvantages of hooking up to OCS computer equipment are: lack of available computer time; and the very high cost of remote terminals to any point outside Headquarters Building. This cost might even exceed the cost of renting equipment independently. A few months ago OCS demonstrated CAI equipment to a group of OTR instructors. We have no immediate plans for use of CAI and are still seeking more convincing argument that the state of the art offers any dramatic breakthrough toward better teaching and learning.

b. With only three enrollments, the next Chiefs of Station Seminar scheduled for 7-18 October will probably be canceled. The last running of this course was in June. The DDP/TRO has been asked to investigate the reasons behind the lack of registrations; depending upon response, we will probably have to reschedule other runnings planned for FY 1969.

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c. Final, careful plans are now being reviewed to ensure that Project USEFUL runs smoothly and efficiently. The course will have about 50 military participants most of whom are colonels or equivalent. The one-week program begins on Monday, 23 September, in Room 1A07, Headquarters.

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a. The Domestic Real Estate Task Force visited [REDACTED] and 25X1A6a [REDACTED] on 11-12 September. The [REDACTED] briefed the 25X1A6a group on the mission of the Station and the utilization of its physical assets. A similar briefing was given at [REDACTED]. Chief, 25X1A6a P&M/OTR, was with the group during the [REDACTED] portion of the visit 25X1A6a

b. The architect/engineer contract which was let to study design and location of a new sewage disposal plant is now 20% complete. Public works employees are now installing a new pipeline which will join the formerly self-contained disposal plant in the [REDACTED] area with the 25X1A main plant. Health authorities found the [REDACTED] system inadequate. 25X1A

25X1A14a c. It has been reported that initial instructor and student reaction to the [REDACTED] is highly favor-  
25X1A14a able. The introduction of [REDACTED] into the Operations Course, Phase II, is the result of a major overhaul of the course to make it more realistic and up to date.

4. Non-Agency Briefings

During this reporting period, the following non-Agency briefings

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At the Defense Intelligence School, 95 students enrolled in the 38-week Defense Intelligence Course on the missions, functions, and organization of the Agency.

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At DIS, three [REDACTED] (accompanied by three U.S. military officers) on the Agency's role in the Intelligence Community.

At DIS, 39 members of the current Attache Course on the "Nature and Significance of Strategic Intelligence"; about 20 wives were also present. Also, without wives, on the Intelligence Community and the missions and functions of the Agency.

At Fort Holabird, 24 foreign officers enrolled in the current Senior Foreign Officers Course on "Strategic Intelligence" and "Elements of National Power and the Concept of National Security."

At AID facilities in Washington, D.C., 20 AID trainees on the missions and functions of the Agency.

At Foreign Service Institute, 55 FSOs on "International Communism: Current Status."

At [REDACTED] 15 technicians on "Sino-Soviet Presence."

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